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SUBJ: REPUBLIC OF KOREA FOREIGN MINISTER KIM'S VIEWS ON QUESTION
OF UNGA MEMBERSHIP RESOLUTION

REF: USUN 4012

1. ROK MISOFF MINISTER AHN HAS GIVEN US FOREIGN MINISTER
KIM'S VIEWS REGARDING POSSIBLE PRO-ROK RESOLUTION OR
AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO UNGA RESOLUTION CALLING FOR EARLY
AND FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION OF VIETNAM MEMBERSHIP APPLICA-
TIONS. AHN SAID KIM ON BALANCE NOT IN FAVOR OF SUBMITTING
PRO-ROK MEMBERSHIP RESOLUTION ON AMENDMENT UNLESS THERE IS
CLEAR-CUT VICTORY IN SIGHT. ACCORDING TO AHN, KIM WOULD
NOT WANT TO DILUTE EFFORT TO PROMOT FRIENDLY AND DEFEAT
HOSTILE RESOLUTION ON KOREAN QUESTION BY POSSIBLY UNSUCCESSFUL
TRY ON MEMBERSHIP QUESTION.

2. AHN EXPECTS TO HAVE RESULTS BY SEPTEMBER 8 OF ROK SOUNDINGS
OF SOME 20 COUNTRIES WHOSE POSITIONS ON MEMBERSHIP QUES-
TION CONSIDERED BY WORKING GROUP TO BE UNCERTAIN(REFTEL).
SEOUL HAS INSTRUCTED POSTS IN THOSE COUNTRIES TO SUPPLEMENT

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SOUNDINGS BEING MADE IN NEW YORK.

3. WE TOUCHED ON POSSIBILITY THAT, DURIN COURSE OF UNGA,
OTHER SIDE MAY TRY TO FORCE FURTHER VEOTES OF VIETNAM
APPLICATIONS AS MEANS OF CURRYING SUPPORT FOR HOSTILE SIDE
ON KOREAN QUESTION. AHN RECOGNIZED THIS AS DANGER WHICH COULD
FURTHER COMPLICATE DIFFICULT TASK OF DEFEATING HOSTILE
RESOLUTION.
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